

## State Historical Museum of Iowa Commemorates 20th Anniversary of 9/11

The State Historical Museum of Iowa is marking the **20th anniversary of 9/11** with a new display that **commemorates those who died** during the attacks and **honors Iowa City firefighter Glenn Pauley**, who assisted in the rescue and recovery operation in New York.

Pauley, who had befriended members of Rescue Company 4 of Queens in 1999, felt compelled to help them after the attacks. Several articles of clothing he wore during the rescue and recovery are on display in the "[Iowa's People & Places](#)" exhibition, which opened earlier this year to commemorate the 175th anniversary of Iowa's statehood. **The exhibition will be open to the public 10-11 a.m. on Saturday.** The museum's regular hours are 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday-Friday.

### Bell-Ringing Ceremony

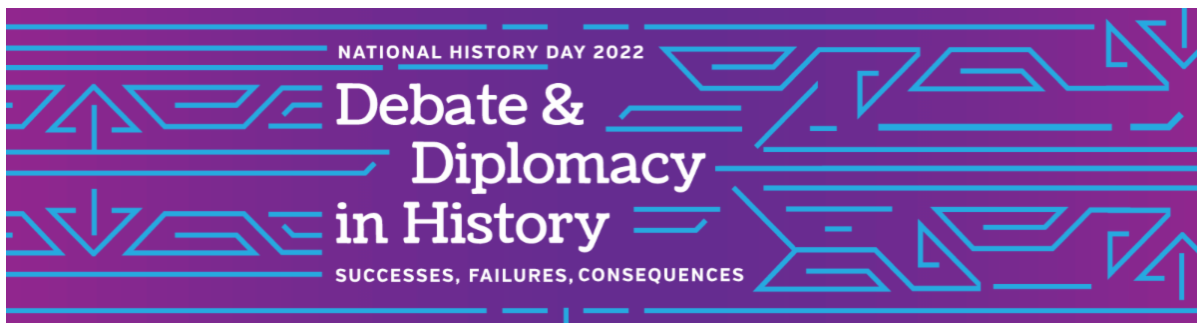
In addition, the State Historical Society of Iowa will honor the 9/11 first responders and commemorate its victims with a **bell-ringing ceremony at 8:45 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 11, at the Liberty Bell located east of the State Capitol.**



The bell will toll first at 7:46 a.m. to mark the time of the attack on the World Trade Center's North Tower in New York City, and then later to mark the attacks on the South Tower and the Pentagon, as well as the crash of Flight 93 in Pennsylvania.

The public ceremony will include music by the **MacKenzie Highlanders**, central Iowa's premier pipe and drum band, and conclude with remarks from **State Curator Leo Landis** and other officials at about 9:30 a.m.

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## National History Day in Iowa

It's September, which means thousands of students, educators and parents are gearing up for the National History Day in Iowa contest, guided by a new theme, "**Debate & Diplomacy in History: Success, Failures and Consequences.**"

National History Day is a year-long academic program that challenges students to research, develop and present papers, exhibits, documentaries, websites and performances about historical topics related to an annual theme. They compete at district and state contests, with winners advancing to the national contest to compete against thousands of students from around the world. National winners receive cash prizes and scholarships.

Iowa educators interested in starting an NHD program at their schools should contact Vania Boland at [vania.boland@iowa.gov](mailto:vania.boland@iowa.gov) for more information.

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## Celebrate Moments & Culture

A new collection of online resources is now available as part of the Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs' ongoing **Days of Learning** initiative, which connects educators, students, parents and lifelong learners to a **showcase of Iowa's arts, history, humanities, film and culture.**

The new multimedia collection, “**Celebrate Moments & Cultures**,” features a mix of milestones, memorable stories and points of view from Iowa's past, specially curated by the department staff and other experts from cultural and humanities organizations across the state.

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## Commemorate Iowa's 175 Anniversary of Statehood



You can request a complimentary mail-order **pop-up display** about “**Iowa's People & Places**” that is free-standing, lightweight and easy to assemble. It's perfect for museums, historical societies, libraries, community centers and other public locations.

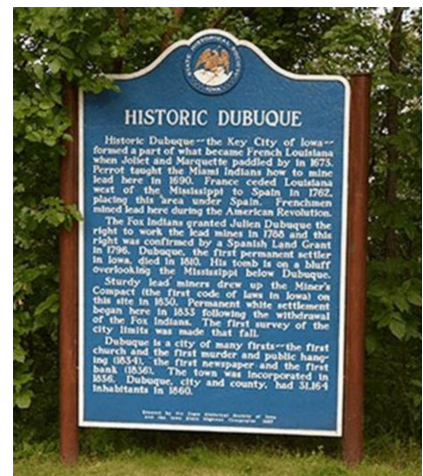
**Exhibitors will receive a digital toolkit to help plan and promote related programs** for adults, children and educators.

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## State Historical Markers Grants

Grants are available to help communities create and install their own **historical markers to tell the stories of the people and places from Iowa's past**. With support from the William G. Pomeroy Foundation, grants up to \$2,000 are available for the manufacture and shipment of a 2-by-3-foot cast aluminum historical marker. The program is open to all time periods and geographic areas of the state, and priority will be given to markers that focus on historically underrepresented groups.

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## A Call for Artifacts From the First Gulf War

As the country marks **30 years since the First Gulf War**, the State Historical Society of Iowa is seeking help from the public to strengthen its collection of **objects and artifacts that tell the stories** and actions of Iowans during the two-month battle, and



any military service after 1990. Iowans and others interested in donating are encouraged to learn more through our online [\*\*Object Donation form\*\*](#).

*Pictured: an Army jacket Daniel Lamb of Marshalltown in Saudi Arabia during Operation Desert Storm.*



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## Coming Up Online

### **Iowa History 101: When a Dream Dies: Agriculture, Iowa and the Farm Crisis of the 1980s**

Sept. 23, Noon

Join **Iowa State University Distinguished Professor of History Pamela Riney-Kehrberg** as she presents her research about the **Farm Crisis of the 1980s** and the impact it had on families and communities of Iowa. She will discuss how a decade of stress challenged everyone involved in the business of agriculture.



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### **Iowa Stories: Iowa Child Welfare Research Station**

Sept. 29, Noon

Working in a destitute orphanage during the Great Depression, **little-known psychologists at the Iowa Child Welfare Research Station accidentally discovered that the environment changes children's intelligence** – something never thought possible. The psychologists were brutally attacked for their ideas by psychology's leaders, most of whom were eugenicists, and 30 years passed before their



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work gained recognition. **Marilyn Brookwood of the College of New Rochelle in New York** will lead the discussion.



### Visit the Research Centers

The State Historical Library & Archives Research Centers in Iowa City and Des Moines recently reopened for **in-person visits by appointment** only on Thursdays and Fridays. Schedule your next visit for **access to 209 million historic documents, photographs, newspapers and more** from our vast collections.

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IOWA'S PREMIER CULTURAL EVENT

# CELEBRATE IOWA *Gala*

**Save the Date: December 10**

Iowa's statewide celebration of art, history, film and culture is back!

You won't want to miss the 10th annual celebration featuring Iowa cuisine, music, entertainment and, of course, Iowans like you! We hope you'll join us.

**Friday, December 10**

**6 - 7 p.m. VIP Reception**

**7 - 11 p.m. Celebrate Iowa Gala**

**Scottish Rite Consistory, Des Moines**



On Dec. 28, Iowa will mark a major milestone: 175 years of statehood.

Stay up-to-date by subscribing to our [Celebrate Iowa newsletter](#).

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## Join Our Team

Want to join our team? **We're seeking a Digital Education Coordinator** who will develop educational resources to support K-12, college and university educators statewide and prepare digital informational materials that can be used by public and statewide education and literacy agencies, as well as educators and families. Key skills include proficiency with the Adobe Creative Suite and Drupal. **Application deadline: Sept. 26.**



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## National Preservation Conference, Nov. 2-5

Join thousands of preservationists and preservation lovers at **the nation's premier conference for those who work to save, sustain and interpret historic places**. With more than 32 thought-provoking sessions and networking events, you'll connect with advocates and architects, city planners and historic site directors, students and elected officials, commissioners and main street directors, and more during this virtual conference. **Register by Oct. 5.**



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*Please check our online calendar for more events and opportunities across the state.*

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